

## Message Text

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-----121437Z 018222 /47  
P R 121105Z JAN 77  
FM AMEMBASSY GABORONE  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 9282  
INFO AMCONSUL JOHANNESBURG  
AMEMBASSY MASERU

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DEPT PLEASE PASS FBI

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: CASC (MEYERS, LAWRENCE KAY), BC, RH  
SUBJECT: W/W: LAWRENCE KAY MEYERS

REF: STATE 5751 (NOTAL)

1. EMBOFF SAW MEYERS AT CENTRAL POLICE STATION GABORONE  
NIGHT OF JANUARY 11. MEYERS IN GOOD CONDITION AND CURRENTLY  
RECEIVING NO ILLTREATMENT. HE DID COMPLAIN THAT IN FRANCISTOWN  
HE HAD BEEN KEPT IN SOLITARY CONFINEMENT, PUNCHED AND INTERROGATED  
WITH REVOLVER AT HIS HEAD BY "DRUNKEN" POLICEMEN DURING INITIAL  
ONE OR TWO DAYS OF DETENTION. SUCH TREATMENT WAS NOT  
REPEATED THEREAFTER. HE TOLD EMBOFF THAT HE ASKED MANY  
TIMES TO CONTACT EMBASSY BUT THIS NOT ALLOWED. HE WAS  
WILLING TO SPEAK TO PRESS BECAUSE HE KNEW EMBASSY WOULD  
THEN LEARN OF ARREST. EMBASSY PLANS TO INCORPORATE SOME  
OF THIS INTO NOTE TO OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

2. GOB MAY BE PLANNING TO TURN MEYERS OVER TO EMBASSY  
IN NEXT SEVERAL DAYS FOR TRAVEL ASSISTANCE. PER REFTEL  
WE HAVE REQUESTED EMERGENCY REPLENISHMENT FROM USDO.  
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FORTUNATELY, MEYERS HAS MULTIPLE-ENTRY VISA TO SOUTH  
AFRICA WHICH WILL FACILITATE ONWARD TRAVEL, POSSIBLY  
BY TRAIN AS ALL FLIGHTS OUT OF GABORONE BOOKED FOR  
NEAR FUTURE.

3. NOW THAT MEYERS NO LONGER BEING REPATRIATED, WE DO  
NOT KNOW WHAT TRAVEL PLANS HE WILL MAKE. PRIOR TO

RECEIPT REFTTEL, HE INDICATED INTENTION TO TRAVEL FROM  
FIRST PORT OF ENTRY (NEW YORK) TO RESIDENCE OF FRIEND,  
MR. RAYMOND CROTEAU, 12604 KAHNS ROAD, MANASSAS,  
VIRGINIA.

4. OTHER FAMILY CONTACTS AS FOLLOWS:

MR. LIONEL C. MEYERS, FATHER  
191 WEST SECOND STREET, NO. 707  
SAN BERADINO, CALIFORNIA

MR. ROBERT L. MEYERS, BROTHER  
3400 TOULON COURT  
RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA 92501

MRS. BETH MEYERS, FORMER WIFE  
106 SHERMAN DRIVE  
BENECIA, CALIFORNIA

5. EMBASSY WILL INFORM WASHINGTON BY IMMEDIATE CABLE  
OF ITINERARY AFTER HE HAS PURCHASED TICKET HERE.

6. DETAILS OF MEYERS' RECRUITMENT AND ACTIVITIES OF  
RHODESIAN INFORMATION OFFICE BY SEPTTEL.  
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